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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Leo Louis Brianza of Sun Lakes, Arizona, formerly of Carlinville, who passed away on February 20, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, He was born October 10, 1922 in Maryville, the son of Valario "Tom" and Katrina Mary Bugni Brianza; he married Margie Eleanor Jones; she passed away in 1980; he later married Frances Brianza in 1981; and

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WHEREAS, He graduated from Carlinville High School and attended Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, where he played on the tennis team and participated in track, holding a longtime record in the discus; he served in World War II in the United States Navy, serving in the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign; and

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WHEREAS, He was the owner of Brianza Clothing Store and L&M Vending; he was a sales representative for CISCO Steel, Prairie Grove Company, and Valley Steel; and

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WHEREAS, He was a member of American Legion Post #554 and the Carlinville Park Board, serving as president and leading the building of the Carlinville Public Pool; he was a fast ball

1 pitcher in church and men's leagues; and he enjoyed bowling and
2 basketball, gardening, mushroom hunting, cooking, and wine
3 making; and

4 WHEREAS, Leo Brianza is survived by his wife, Frances; his
5 daughters, Terry and Sherry; his stepson, Thomas (Lori) Stiles;
6 his stepdaughter, Janis (David) Mathis; and his
7 step-grandchildren, Shannon (Christa) Stiles and Shawn (April)
8 Stiles; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
11 his family and friends, the passing of Leo Brianza; and be it
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of Leo Brianza as a symbol of our
15 sincere sympathy.